

September 22, 2015

Mr. Isaac Chen USEPA REGION 6 1445 Ross Avenue Suite 1200 *Mail Code:* 6WQ Dallas, TX 75202-2733

Dear Mr. Chen:

SUBJECT: OFFSHORE OPERATORS COMMITTEE
PRODUCED WATER AND WATER BASED MUD CHARACTERIZATION STUDY

In accordance with Part I.B.1.d and 4.c of GMG290000 (2012), the Offshore Operators Committee (OOC) is submitting the attached OOC Produced Water and Water Based Mud Characterization Study. Tetra Tech, Inc. conducted the study under contract to the OOC.

The purpose of the Study was to enable participating companies, as a joint industry project, to meet the permit requirement to analyze selected dissolved constituents in produced water and water based mud. Thirty-eight (38) members of the OOC participated in the study, providing samples from producing facilities and drilling rigs throughout the Region 6 area of the Gulf of Mexico.

If there are any questions, need additional information or would like to meet to discuss the study, please call me at (504) 425-7693.

Robert Kuehn Study Coordinator

On behalf of the Water Quality Subcommittee of the Offshore Operators Committee

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Attachments

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<u>Via email with Attachments</u> OOC Participants (cover letter & final report only) June Mire, Tetra Tech, Inc. (cover letter only)

Listing of Attachments

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Subject: OOC – Produced Water and Water Based Mud Characterization Study

Attachment 1	OOC Produced Water and Water Based Mud Characterization Study – Final Report
Attachment 2	E-mail from June Mire to Isaac Chen dated March 24, 2014 – OOC Mud and Produced Water Characterization Study – Revised SAP/QAPP
Attachment 3	May 23, 2013 – Minutes from Tetra Tech Teleconference with EPA Region 6
Attachment 4	Work Order # 1312548
Attachment 5	Produced Water Analytical Results Summary
Attachment 6	Statistical Analysis of Produced Water and Water Based Mud Samples